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Popular Evenflo Car Seat Recalled

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health is notifying parents about the recall of a popular Evenflo car seat, according to Dawn Mayer, coordinator of the department's Child Passenger Safety Program.

"This recalled car seat is distributed widely in North Dakota, so we want to make sure consumers are aware of the potential problem with it," Mayer said.

The recall is for the Discovery Infant car seat models 390, 391, 534, 552 manufactured by Evenflo. About 1 million units have been produced since April 2005. Recent tests conducted by Evenflo and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration show that this car seat could potentially become separated from its base in high-impact side collisions. As a precautionary measure, Evenflo is providing current owners of these models with a free supplemental dual-hook fastener that helps the seat remain attached to the base in the event of such collisions.

To order the supplemental dual-hook fastener, Discovery 390, 391, 534, 552 model owners should call Evenflo at 800.356.2229 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST or visit www.evenflo.com/Discovery. No shipping costs will be incurred and orders will arrive in about three to four weeks. In the meantime, Evenflo recommends that consumers continue to use their Discovery infant car seat.

"This recall points to the importance of consumers registering their car seats, either online or by sending in registration cards that come with all new car seats," Mayer said. "Manufacturers will notify owners of any recalls or safety notices on their products."

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For more information about car seats or to check if a safety seat has been recalled, consumers may contact the North Dakota Department of Health at 800.472.2286 (press 1). They must have the manufacturer name, model number and date of manufacturer to check for recalls. This information is usually located on a sticker on the back or side of the car seat.

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